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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.
LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's
Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE
SMITH & Co., 39, Cornhill, GORDON
& GORE, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES
HENDY & Co., 37, Walbrook, E. C.
SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 154,
Leadenhall Street.

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& Co., 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.
NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park
Row.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTON, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports
generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Fran-
cisco.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SALES &
Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN
& Co., Manila.

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APOTHECARY CO., Colombo.

CHINA.—MAGNO, F. A. DE CRUZ, Su-
taw, QUELCH & Co., Amoy, WILSON,
NICHOLS & Co., Foochow, HERB &
Co., Shantou, LANE, CRAWFORD &
Co., and REILLY & WALSH, Tolochoo,
Lane, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY
& Co.

Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG
SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours generally, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
- 3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent, per annum interest.
- 4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent, per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank is marked *On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business* is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the

HONGKONG AND CHINA BANKING
CORPORATION.
T. JACKSON,
Other Manager.

Hongkong, May 7, 1886. 754

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, LIMITED.

APPROVED CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000
PAID-UP.....\$2,000,000

REGISTERED OFFICE,
40, TURBARDRELL STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:

In India, China, Japan and the Colonies.

THE Bank RECEIVES Money on Deposit,

buys and sells Bills of Exchange,

Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for

Collection, and transacts Banking and

Agency Business generally on terms to be

had on application.

APPROVED CLAIMS on the CHINESE
BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the
Balances of such Claims, purchased

1.—By an immediate Payment in Cash of

not less than 90% for the whole
Claim.

Orders sent to the REPOSITORY will be
promptly attended to.

2.—At 100%, Payment being made in
Fully paid Scrip of the Corporation's

3½ per cent. Perpetual Debenture
Stock, carrying interest from date of

Issue, and exchangeable for Stock
Warrants of \$100 with Half-Yearly
Interest Coupons attached, on the
Scrip being made up to any even
multiple of \$100.

BORLERS of this Stock incur no liability
whatever.

H. A. HERBERT,

Manager,

Hongkong Branch.

Hongkong, February 15, 1886. 314

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,500,000
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION.....\$3,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-
PONENTS.....\$7,500,000

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LONDON BANKERS (London and County
Bank).

HONGKONG.

Interest Allowed.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate
of 2 per cent, per annum on the daily
balance.

For Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 3 per cent, per annum.

For 6 months, 5 per cent, per annum.

Local Bills Discounted.

Credits granted on approved Securities
and every description of Banking and
Finance business transacted.

Debtors granted on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India
Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Other Manager.

Hongkong, February 27, 1886. 403

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr. NUSSEERWANJIREE RUTON-
JEE TATA, deceased, and Mr. DORAB-
JEE BURJORJEE AVASIA (TATA),
ceased in our Firm on the 31st October,
1883, and 7th November, 1885, respectively.

TATA & Co.

Hongkong, April 20, 1886. 792

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day RE-ESTABLISHED
myself in BUSINESS at this Port, under
the name of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
GEO. R. STEVENS,
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, March 24, 1886. 604

NOTICE.

I HAVE ESTABLISHED myself as
MERCHANT, under the Name and
Firm of DORABEE TATA & Co.

D. B. TATA.

Hongkong, April 20, 1886. 791

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

A First Interim BONUS of TWENTY per
CENT upon Contributions for the year
1885 has this Day been declared.

WARRANTS may be had on application at
the above OFFICE on and after the 5th
Proximo.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, April 21, 1886. 803

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ON and after SUNDAY, 4th Instant,
the Price of ICE will be ONE CENT
PER POUND.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 2, 1886. 673

THE KORSCHELT ICE DEPOT.

WE Have This Day been appointed
AGENTS for the KORSCHELT ICE
DEPOT and are Now READY to SUPPLY
ICE from our Depot, Pedder's Street (near the
HONGKONG HOTEL), in quantities from
hds. and upwards, at the Rate of ONE
CENT per lb., offering special arrangements
to large consumers.

The Blocks of ICE weighing up to 700 lbs.
each are specially adapted for shipping
purposes.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 1, 1886. 659

THE HARDEN STAR HAND
GRENADE FIRE EXTINGUISHER.

BY Order of H. E. the OFFICER Ad-
ministering the Government, GOV-
ERNMENT HOUSE has been FITTED
with the above.

E. CLARK,
Agent.

Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, March 22, 1886. 592

THE HONGKONG DAIRY.

MR. KENNEDY having received a
number of First Class MILK COWS
now in a position to SUPPLY his old
customers and the Community with FRESH
MILK.

Orders sent to the REPOSITORY will be
promptly attended to.

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T. JACKSON,
Other Manager.

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Business Notices.

SUMMER GOODS.

GENTLEMEN'S UNDER-SHIRTS and DRAWERS.

Fancy Thread and Cotton HALF-HOSE.

New Lawn Tennis JERSEYS.

Fancy Silk Tennis SHIRTS.

The Newest Cambic SCARF and TIES.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

HAVE FOR SALE
THE FOLLOWING

STORES.

YORK HAMS.
BELL BUTTER.
TOPPOAN BUTTER.
FRENCH BUTTER.
EFF'S COCOA.
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
PICNIC TONGUES.
MACKEREL in 5lb Tins.
RAISINS and CURRANTS.
CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.
SAVOY & MOORE'S New Infant FOOD.
BARNES & Co.'s JAMS.
POTTED MEATS.
PATE de FOIS GRAS.
SWISS MILK.

BORDEN'S
CONDENSED MILK.

COOKING STOVES.
KEROSENE LAMPS.

WINES, &c.

GILBY'S Sparkling SAUMUR, Pts. & Qu.
SACCOMO'S MANZANILLA.
SACCOMO'S Old Invalid PORT.
OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
BUKKE'S Old Irish WHISKY.
ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.
MARSALA.

&c., &c., &c.

THE USUAL ASSORTMENT
of
OILMAN'S STORES,
at the
Lowest Possible Prices.
FOR CASH.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
Hongkong, February 10, 1866. 280

FOR SALE

500 BARRELS CEMENT, from TUNNEL
PORTLAND CEMENT WORKS, West
Thornicroft.
In Lots to suit Purchasers.
Apply to
G. RAYNAL,
1, Stanley Street.
Hongkong, April 2, 1866. 671

FOR SALE

JULES MUMM & Co.'s
CHAMPAGNE,
Quarts.....\$20 per Case of 1 doz.
Pints.....\$1 per 2
Dubes Frères & de Gérard & Co.'s
BORDEAUX CLARETS AND
WHITE WINES.
Barter's Celebrated 'Barley Bro'
WHISKY, \$74 per Case of 1 doz.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, July 15, 1864. 1187

TO LET.

A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE at the PEAK.
Good TENNIS GROUND attached.
Apply to
DENNYS & MOSSOP,
Hongkong, January 28, 1866. 102

TO LET.

ROOMS in 'COLLINS CHAMBERS.'
Nos. 4 and 8, SYMPOUSE TERRACE.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, March 27, 1866. 632

TO LET.

THE HOUSE in CASTLE ROAD No. 1.
Apply to the SPANISH PROCURATION No.
14, Castle Road. Terms moderate. Possession on the first of the month.
Hongkong, February 6, 1866. 255

TO LET.

BICHMOND TERRACE,
TO BE LET.
A HOUSE, pool in Summer with FOUR
Good Rooms, Dressing Room, Library,
Three Bath Rooms, convenient Out Offices,
in thorough order.
Apply to
J. D. HUMPHREYS,
22, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, April 1, 1866. 664

TO BE LET—FURNISHED.

A Very Comfortable HOUSE, with Six
Rooms, Dressing Room, Library,
Three Bath Rooms, convenient Out Offices,
Tennis Courts, and Garden.
For Nine months from May next.
Apply to
J. D. HUMPHREYS,
22, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, April 1, 1866. 664

Intimations.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED by an Englisman of long Experience in the Colony. Competent Accountant and Correspondent. Address, 'ALPHA' Office of this Paper. Hongkong, March 22, 1866. 591

HONGKONG STEAM BAKERY.

NOTICE.
FROM 1st March the Price for First
QUALITY HOUSEHOLD BREAD
will be Five Cents per Pound.
493 DORABEE NOWROOZEE.

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.
MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,
Surgeon Dentist,
(Formerly ARTICLED APPRENTICE AND LAT-
TERLY ASSISTANT to Dr. ROGERS).
At the urgent request of his European
and American patients and friends,
has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly oc-
cupied by Dr. ROGERS.
No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.
Sole Address
2, DUDDELL STREET,
(Next to the New Oriental Bank).
Hongkong, January 12, 1866. 66

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.'s
PIERS AND GODOWNS,
WEST POINT.

THESE are now in Working Order,
STEAMERS are berthed at the Wharf,
and CARGO received and stored at Cheap
Rates.

The GODOWNS are two storied, dry,
airy, and well suited for the storage of
SILK, COTTON and WOOLLEN Piece Goods,
as well as GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Advances made on Cargo stored.

For Rates and further Particulars, apply
to the Manager, or to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, December 2, 1865. 2002

THE HONGKONG and KOWLOON
WHARF, GODOWN and CARGO-
BOAT COMPANY.

THE Company will receive STEAMERS
and SAILING VESSELS alongside their
Wharves at Kowloon and Land, Ro-ship,
and/or Store GENERAL CARGOES, SILK,
OPUM, COTTON, CHAIN or MUSCOVY CLOTH,
in First-Class GODOWNS & CARGO-BOATS,
Also COALS in specially constructed Sheds.

For the convenience of Commanders and
Storers the Company's launch *Hongkong* will
convey to and fro those interested FREE of
CHARGE, starting from the Poddar's Wharf
EVERY HOUR from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m., and
from the Wharf at Kowloon at the half-
hour.

For further Particulars, apply to

W. KERFOOT HUGHES,
Agent,
Pedder's Street.
Hongkong, February 17, 1866. 331

INSURANCES.

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company are
prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE
RISKS to all parts of the World, at current
rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, November 5, 1863. 855

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above
Company, are authorized to insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1862. 14

TO-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.
THE Yearly General MEETING of the
MEMBERS of the HONGKONG
CLUB is hereby Convened to take place at
the CLUB HOUSE on THURSDAY, the 29th
Instant, at 4.15 p.m.

By Order of the General Committee,
EDWARD BEARY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 22, 1866. 814

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Stocks. No. of Shares. Value. Paid up. POSITION FOR LAST REPORT.
BANKS. Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp. 60,000 125 120 \$ 4,500,000
INSURANCES. For equal-
tionship
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd. 5,000 20 50 ... \$ 500,000
Yangtze Insurance Company, Ltd. 8,000 21 25 50,600 Tls. 3,059.70
Union Insurance Society, Co., Ltd. 2,000 8 125 575,000 \$ 430,089.41
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd. 83,325 21 25 600,000 \$ 200,773.71
Canton Insurance Co., Ltd. 10,000 25 50 155,000 \$ 465,214.43
Chinese Insurance Co., Limited. 1,500 200 25 28,711.50 2,868.88
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 8,000 25 50 1,000,000 \$ 285,452.55
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 20,000 100 25 566,700 \$ 228,811.67
STEAM-BOAT COMPANIES. H.K. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ltd. 8,000 100 75 300,000 \$ 34,022.00
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited. 20,000 50 50 86,764.10 402.23
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited. 18,887 102 10 117.16 3% for 1864 5% discount, cash
China and Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd. 3,600 100 all 25 discount
MISCELLANEOUS. H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. 10,000 125 120 16,000 \$ 6,551,682 7% half year
H.K. and China Co. Limited. 5,000 2 102 10 2,000 1,077,311.50 1,527,311.50
New Shares. 1,000 2 102 10 2,000 1,077,311.50 1,527,311.50
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd. 2,000 100 100 ... 3,175.07
3,000 shs. issued 1,000 100 ... 3,175.07
China Sugar Company, Limited. 9,000 100 100 13,451.51
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited. 1,250 100 100 30,000 1,125,30,000
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd. 500 50 50 6,000 6,000
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited. 7,000 100 100 1,034,523 2%
Perak Tin Mining & Smg Co. 5,000 50 all 25 discount
Selangore Tin Mining Co. (Shah) 2,000 100 all 25 discount
Punjor & Sungkie Dua Samstan Mining Co. 40,000 100 5 10 cash
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ltd. 3,000 50 all 10 cash
H. & M. Glass Manufacturing Co. 4,000 50 50 ... First year
LOANS. Chinese Imperial 1861. \$ 6,667.17 500 all 8% June 1st & Dec. 10
" 1864. 27,905 500 all 8% March 15
" 1864. 27,905 500 all 8% June 30
" 1864. 31,893 500 all 8% Oct. 15
Sugar Adventures 1860. 600 500 all 8% June 30 & Dec. 15

To-day's Advertisements.

CHIARINI'S CIRCUS AND
MENAGERIE

To-night,
Thursday, 22nd April, 1866.

GRAND AND EXCELLENT PRO-
GRAMME!

Introducing Novel and Daring Acts of
Horsemanship by
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

N.E.—To-morrow, GOOD FRIDAY, no
Performance.

SATURDAY, Two Splendid Performances at
4 p.m. and 9 p.m., doors open one
hour before.

ON EASTER MONDAY,
GALA DAY,

TWO MONSTER PROGRAMMES.

OPEN EVERY NIGHT,
AT 8 P.M. COMMENCING AT 9.

AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE
EVERY SATURDAY,

Doors open at 3 o'clock, commencing at 4.

FREQUENT CHANGES OF
PROGRAMME!

FIRST-CLASS EQUESTRIANS, EQUESTRIENNES,
GYMNASIUS, ACROBATS, PANTOMIMES,
AND FUNNY CLOWNS.

AN Interesting Collection of RARE
ANIMALS—ELEPHANTS, LIONS, BENGAL
TIGERS, CROCODILES, ANACONDA,
AUSTRALIAN EMUS, &c. Splendid Stock
of HORSES educated to the highest degree
of Hippo Training.

L. MAYA, Secretary.

Hongkong, April 22, 1866. 810

To-day's Advertisements.

TO SHANGHAI

The Steamship
Peking.

Capt. G. HAUERMAN, will
be despatched for the
above Port TO-MORROW, the 23rd Inst.,
at Noon, instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, April 22, 1866. 806

To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

The Co.'s Steamship
Prometheus.

Capt. Webster, will be
despatched as above TO-
MORROW, the 23rd Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, April 22, 1866. 818

To-day's Advertisements.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

The Steamship
Takuan.

Captain Clegg, will be
despatched as above on
SUNDAY, the 25th Instant, at Daylight.

This Vessel has unusually good
Accommodation, situated amidships, upon
the upper deck.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, April 22, 1866. 807

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY
ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNS-
VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY &
MELBOURNE.

The Co.'s Steamship
Takuan.

Captain Young, will be
despatched as above on
MONDAY, the 26th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 22, 1866. 803

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI

permits, also, is vested in the Governor, and not in the Registrar-General—a manoeuvre which apparently led the unofficial members to believe that they had altogether met the difficulty. If the Governor empowers the Registrar-General to issue permits, then the Registrar-General may be even more entirely free of check than before, because certain forms of sanction were necessary under the old law from more than one department. We consider that the Chief of Police has a clear and substantial grievance, if his sanction be not obtained in all such matters; and we are not sure but that the unofficial members of Council also have reason for dissatisfaction at the manner in which the settlement of this question has eluded their grasp. They fancied, they had managed the business very nicely; and now they discover that the system is as bad as ever, if not worse. The present condition of our unofficial members cannot be described as a happy one.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SIZE CANAL.
OUTWARD BOUND.—Norden, Jan. 26: Abtao, 29: De Bay, March 5: Brainerd, 16: Cache, Pagan, Tisan, 23: Antwerp, 26: Benaray, 30: Ching Wo, Antwerp, April 2: Hocor, Yangtze, 5: Monmouthshire, 10: Andam, Bellisophon, Hampshire, 20.

HOMEWARD BOUND.—Jason, April 20.

THE P. M. S. S. steamship *City of Sydney* left Yokohama for this port on Saturday, the 11th instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 23rd inst.

The Austria-Hungarian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Co.'s steamship *Amphitrite* left Singapore for this port on the 17th instant, and may be expected here about the 24th instant.

The Union Line steamer *Oxfordshire* left Singapore on the 18th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 24th inst.

The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamship *Tessin* left Sydney for this port on the 13th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 4th prox.

The Shire Line steamer *Derbyshire*, from London, left Singapore for this port on the 19th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 25th inst.

The Union Line steamer *Lord of the Isles* left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 26th instant.

The Glen Line steamer *Glenquoil*, from London, left Singapore on the 21st inst., and may be expected here about the 27th inst.

DOOR MOVEMENTS.—
The Taiwan left Cosmopolitan Dock.

The British corvette *Leander* returned to the harbour from a cruise to-day.

The Austrian gunboat *Nautius* left here on a cruise to-day.

On our fourth page will be found an article on Sir John Pope Hennessy.

TO-MORROW being Good Friday, there will be no issue of the *China Mail*.

H.R.M.'s torpedo-mining launch *Solent*, Captain Dinsdale, arrived here from Singapore yesterday. She will be attached to the Royal Engineers' Department.

We would direct the attention of our readers to the advertisement giving the cast for H. M. S. *Pinafore*, to be performed for Miss Seymour's benefit on Saturday evening. It will be noticed that it is an extremely strong one, and promises a good performance.

The Easter Holidays are to be more universally observed this year than they have been hitherto, all the principal stores having notified that they will observe to-morrow (Good Friday) and Easter Monday as holidays. Government Offices and the Banks will be closed as usual.

Offiziari's Circus is still drawing good houses, and the frequent changes of programme seem to be highly appreciated. To-night there will be another grand entertainment; to-morrow there will be no performance, but on Saturday and Monday there will be afternoon and evening performances.

By kind permission of Colonel Foster, and the Officers of the 2nd Northamptonshire Regiment, their regimental band will play in the Gardens, on Sunday evening, the 25th instant, from 9 till 10 o'clock, the following programme—

March.....Ahalo.....Costa
Selection.....Bon. of H. M. S. Pinafore.....Handel
Selection.....Isabel in Egypt.....Handel
Selection.....Princess of Wales.....Borne
Hallalah.....Mousai.....Handel
Chorus.....Please and the Court above.....Handel
Gym.....Please and the Court above.....Handel
Joss Music, Bandmaster.

We have received from Messrs. Carlowitz & Co. the time-table for the oriental service of the Navigations Generales Italienne Florio and Battistini United Companies for 1886, from which it appears that the vessels of this line will leave Genoa for Hongkong on the 10th of every second month, and Hongkong for Genoa on June 3, August 3, September 28, December 3, and 29. The same Company, it appears, keeps up a regular service between Bombay and Genoa, boats being dispatched both ways three times every two months.

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